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## Firefighters Make Progress Extinguishing the Dillon Fire

**Yreka, CA-**Today Firefighters continue to build containment lines around the 230 acre Dillon Fire burning on the Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests. The Dillon Fire is now 40% contained and full containment is expected on August 6.

The Dillon Fire was ignited yesterday alongside California Highway 96 approximately 15 miles southwest of Happy Camp, California. Many small roadside fires over a 20 mile stretch of highway caused the closure of Highway 96 from Ti-Bar to Coon Creek.

The Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests have implemented Fire Restrictions beginning Monday August 6. Initiating fire use restrictions will help minimize the potential of human caused wild fire starts.

Time/Date Started: August 3, 2012, around noon

Location: Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests, 15 miles southwest of Happy Camp, CA near

Dillon Creek.

Cause: Under investigation

Fuels: Timber, brush

Size: 230 acres

**Resources Committed:** 10 Type 1 crews, 3 Type 2 crews, 5 helicopters, 14 engines, 6 water

tenders, and 1 Bulldozer

**Predicted Weather:** Lightning activity has been predicted from sundown today thru Sunday.

**Evacuations:** The Dillon Creek Campground has been evacuated.

Cooperators: Klamath National Forest, Six Rivers National Forest, CAL FIRE, California

Highway Patrol, CAL TRANS

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